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## Message of the Day

Republicans are making retirement security more available and secure.

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- amount, in dollars, the Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform Act raises the contribution limit on traditional IRAs.

Events	<b>TODAY – 7/17</b>	Tomorrow – 7/18	Coming up	Weekend Events	<b>Lead Stories</b>
House GOP	* On floor: suspensions, marriage penalty tax relief;  * Crane subcommittee mark up of drug treatments to foreign athletes;  * Dreier hearing on marriage penalty tax relief, China trade;  * Watts to attend Federer reception in St. Louis;  * Bartlett, religious leaders to discuss Washington Conference on World Religions, Peace.	* On floor: suspensions, China trade;  * Hyde hearing on Internet issues;  * Upton subcommittee on Medicaid fraud;  * Gilman hearing on international criminal court;  * Norwood to attend discussion on immigration, health insurance;  * Greenwood, Weldon of Pa. to address conference on oceans.	* 7/19 <b>Combest</b> hearing on federal farm policy; * 7/19 <b>Spence</b> hearing on military capabilities of China; * 7/19 <b>Bilirakis</b> subcommittee on healthcare providers, patients; * 7/19 <b>Nussle</b> subcommittee on food stamp fraud; * 7/19 <b>Gilman</b> hearing on Bosnia; * 7/19 <b>Shays</b> subcommittee on performance planning at State.	* Watts responded to president's radio address on tax relief, prescription drugs, paying down debt (7/15);  * Toomey delivered GOP radio address on tax relief (7/15);  * Armey appeared on CNN's "Late Edition" with Wolf Blitzer, discussing taxes, China trade, prescription drugs (7/16).	CNN Headline News (Mon. 8:30 am) 1. Most SUVs likely to roll over 2. 1 <sup>st</sup> Lady responds to anti-Jewish allegations 3. Next move on smoker's ruling Washington Post (Mon.) 1. Political appeal of term limits appears to wane 2. Flying into storm of delays 3. Barak foes vent anger in Tel Aviv Washington Times (Mon.)
Senate GOP	* On floor: Interior, marriage penalty tax repeal; * Grassley hearing on initiatives to inform Americans about appropriate end-of-life care.	* On floor: Energy and water development;  * Helms hearing on China trade;  * Jeffords hearing on prescription drug costs;  * Hatch subcommittee on lowering U.S. dependency on foreign oil;  * Allard subcommittee on housing for low income seniors, disabled.	* 7/19 Helms hearing on China trade;  * 7/19 Frist subcommittee on NSF budget;  * 7/19 McCain hearing on nomination of Mineta to Commerce;  * 7/19 Campbell hearing on Indian Gaming Commission.	* Lott appeared on "Fox News Sunday" on GOP agenda, Middle East peace (7/16); * Roberts returned from Cuba with Akaka, Baucus, called for end of trade sanctions (7/16).	Washington Times (Mon.)  1. Clinton urges movement on Mideast peace 2. White House lets tech firms hire Chinese 3. Modern-day jousters continue to battle for respect  USA Today (Mon.) 1. SUVs' roll risk called greatest 2. Bush rules out Powell 3. Ted Turner buildings ultimate
Govs	* Bush of Texas to lead discussion on safe children in Little Rock, to Ark., Wisc. for GOP events.	* Whitman in Washington, D.C. to attend Healthcare Leadership Council event.	* 7/19 Schafer to host Capital for a Day program in Hazen and Mercer County, N.D.	* Bush of Texas appeared on ABC's "This Week with Sam Donaldson & Cokie Roberts" (7/16).	preserve  Los Angeles Times (Mon.)  1. President's trip adds pressure at
President	* At Camp David, Md. for Middle East peace process negotiations.	* To honor 2000 Super Bowl champions, St. Louis Rams.	* 7/31 To Tampa, Palm Beach to speak at "big money" fundraisers.	* Complained about tax relief during weekly radio address (7/15).	summit 2. Wide, deep scar in Idaho
1 <sup>st</sup> Lady	* To attend Ellis Island "Save America's Treasures" event.	* In N.Y. to "listen."	* 7/27 To be honored by Saratoga County Democrats at \$50 per plate dinner at Gideon Putnam Hotel.	* In Chappaqua, N.Y., denied using profane, anti-Jewish slur 26 years ago (7/16).	Iranians in Calif. flex political muscle     New York Times (Mon.)      In Mail Company of the California of the Ca
VP Gore	* To Memphis, Tenn. for DNC "soft money" fundraisers.	* In Charlotte, N.C., to address National Association of Counties' annual conference.	* 8/17 To speak at DNC convention in Los Angeles (8/14-17).	* Denied fundraising, waffled on abortion position on NBC's "Meet the Press" with Tim Russert (7/16).	Utilities trying new approaches to pricing energy     Bush's strategy evoking images of Rose Garden
Cabinet	* Riley to promote Campaign to Stop Violence's book, "Do the Write Thing" challenger program.	* Summers to attend ceremony to celebrate retirement savings education campaign with <b>Boehner</b> .	* 7/20 Reno to hold weekly media availability.	* Shalala appeared on CNN's "Late Edition" with Wolf Blitzer on Alzheimer's disease (7/16).	3. Jailed unjustly, Peruvians try to rebuild lives  AP Top News (Mon. 8:23 am)
Dems	* Norton to attend annual job fair for D.C. residents; * Sherman news conference on veterans' war medals; * Cummings to hold forum on government employees.	* Breaux to deliver keynote address on seniors' issues; * Pomeroy, Andrews to attend ceremony to celebrate retirement savings education campaign.	* 7/19 Cleland news conference on Americans with disabilities. * 7/19 Kucinich, Boxer news conference protesting genetically engineered foods.	* Wellstone appeared on CNN's "The Capital Gang," discussing taxes, Camp David summit, Bradley endorsement (7/15);  * Baucus, Akaka joined Roberts in returning from Cuba (7/16).	Almost 60 die in India plane crash     Fund created for Nazi slave laborers     Muslim rebels release German woman